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TAGS: PBOR, PN

SUBJECT: NEW GOP TREATY INFORMATION OFFICE

1. LOCAL MEDIA ANNOUNCED ON AUGUST 18 THE TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT OF MOISES "MONCHI" TORRIJOS, OMAR'S ELDER BROTHER AND PANAMANIAN AMBASSADOR TO SPAIN, AND LEFTIST-INCLINED RAMON "MONCHI" JURADO, AMBASSADOR TO VENEZUELA AS DIRECTOR AND SUB-DIRECTOR RESPECTIVELY OF A "GOP INFORMATION OFFICE ON NEWS MATTERS RELATED TO THE NEW PANAMANIAN U.S. TREATY". THE NEW OFFICE, ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORTS, WILL BE PART OF THE NEW REGULAR GOVERNMENT INFORMATION OFFICE. NEITHER OPERATIONAL NOR MISSION DETAILS WERE REVEALED. EMBASSY ASSUMES IT WILL DISSEMINATE GOP-ISSUED TREATY INFORMATION PRESS RELEASES. (ACCORDING TO THE REPORTS, THE DIRECTORS WILL RETURN TO THEIR DIPLOMATIC POSTS AFTER THEIR MISSION IS COMPLETED.)

2. COMMENT: EMBASSY CAN'T GUESS WHY THESE TWO, RELATIVELY CONTROVERSIAL MEN, NEITHER OF WHOM HAS PRACTICED JOURNALISM IN MORE THAN A DECADE, WERE CHOSEN. BY PLACING THE NEW OFFICE DIRECTLY WITHIN THE FUNCTIONING GOP INFORMATION OFFICE, OMAR APPEARS TO BE KEEPING HIS

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BROTHER MOCHI UNDER ROMULO ESCOBAR BETHANCOURT.
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